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Title: NOVEL SPIRO COMPOUNDS

of which is described and claimed in:

() the attached specification, or

(X) the specification in application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed March 8, 2002, and with amendments through \_\_\_\_\_, or

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

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COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	DATE OF FILING	PRIORITY CLAIMED
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Japan	2000-137692	May 10, 2000	Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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